be members of families belonging to their respective villages or side villages, and should be men of means and influence, promotion is made according to seniority and qualifications.

Village Parvatiams having no Survey Training.

65. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.— Will the Government be pleased to stateif there are any Village Parvatiams who have no survey training? If there are, will the Government kindly state why they are kept in the posts ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.— Yes. They are kept in the posts because they are efficient. They were recruited at the time of the introduction of the general Settlement, and it is not yet time to retire them under the rules.

The posting of certain Parvatiams.

66. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.— Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Parvatiams of Mattancheri, Maradu, and Kumbalanghi villages have been posted according to seniority of service ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar. — Appointments of Parvatiams are made on sane, well-defined principles laid down by the Government, and the Parvatiams of the 3 villages have been posted in accordance with those principles. Mere seniority of service is not the only criterion in making these appointments.

Particulars of the Parvatiams in the Trichur Taluk.

67. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—(a) How many Parvatiakkarans are there in the Trichur Taluk in (1) the first grade, (2) the second grade ?

(b) Of these in each grade, how many of them are acting and how many permanent, and of those acting, how long have they been acting, and what are their names?

(c) Is it true that one Mannath Sanku Menon, who was only a permanent Menon and acting as a second grade Parvatiam was made permanent in the first grade, superseding the claims of many in either grade? When was he made permanent in the second grade ? Was he the last in the second grade at the time of his appointment in the first grade?

(d) What was the report of the Revenue Inspector in this matter?

(e) Is Sanku Menon related to Mr. P. Govinda Menon, the Tahsildar of Trichur?

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